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Jeri Bush
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Dear Jeri,

In 2004, Florida was marked by an unprecedented hurricane season, many lives were lost and hundreds of thousands of others lost their livelihood and their homes. The bright spot in this picture of devastation was the effort of volunteers helping provide transportation and shelter, distributing food, and assuring the elderly and the disabled were safe and provided for. Volunteers provided much needed services, saved scarce resources and most importantly, sped up the communities' healing. You and the work of your Volunteer Center made their success possible. Your efforts to help strengthen communities through volunteering are more relevant than ever.

Your Volunteer Center was identified as one of the thirteen Points of Light Foundation member Centers that efficiently and effectively helped communities in Florida and Georgia respond and recover from the devastation of the hurricanes. To help offset expenses incurred during your involvement in the response and recovery efforts, the Points of Light Foundation partnered with Thomas Kinkade for two art auctions to raise a total of \$14,000 in unrestricted funds for Volunteer Centers. The funds were split evenly amongst the thirteen member Centers, and your check for \$1076.92 is enclosed. We appreciate your hard work and continued dedication during the 2004 hurricane season, and hope that the enclosed funds offer some assistance to you as you continue to help more people volunteer effectively and efficiently in your community.

Sincerely,

Robert K. Goodwin
President and Chief Executive Officer

Enclosure